



EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – EXAMINING GROUP 2811

S/N 09/945,495

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Fernando Gonzalez	Examiner:	Douglas W Owens
Serial No.:	09/945,495	Group Art Unit:	2811
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Title:	VERTICAL TRANSISTOR AND METHOD OF MAKING		

**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO
ADVISORY ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Applicant has reviewed the Advisory Action mailed on April 1, 2004. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from March 30, 2004 to April 30, 2004.

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the notice of allowability of claims 35, 42, and 45. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the position taken by the Office regarding the phrases “covered with a substantially curvilinear bottom profile” (claim 56) and “in a direction” (claim 60). Applicant has amended these claims to change this phraseology, however, to place them in condition for allowance, as Applicant does not consider these amendments affect the scope of what is claimed. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the cited-references rejections that are maintained by the Office. Applicant has cancelled claims, however, to expedite the allowance of claims that are in a favorable stance with the Office at this time. The present paper treats the prior response and amendment as not entered as the Advisory Action does not indicate that the prior response and amendment was entered.